

Docket No.: 065326-0029

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of	:	Customer Number: 20277
Yasushi SASA, et al.	:	Confirmation Number: 9832
Application No.: 10/657,107	:	Group Art Unit: 2624
Filed: September 09, 2003	:	Examiner: Alex Kok Soon LIEW
For: DEFECT INSPECTION APPARATUS, DEFECT INSPECTION METHOD AND PROGRAM		

RESPONSE

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 26, 2007, having a three-month shortened statutory period for reply set to expire on March 26, 2008, a petition for a one month extension of time up to and including April 26, 2008 being filed concurrently herewith, please amend the above identified application as follows.

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